

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. PR99-3-000]****Bay Gas Storage Company, Ltd.;
Notice of Petition for Rate Approval**

December 9, 1998.

Take notice that on November 5, 1998, Bay Gas Storage Company, Ltd., (Bay Gas) filed a petition for rate approval requesting that the Commission approve as fair and equitable a rate of \$2.1645 per MMBtu for firm transportation service and \$0.0712 per MMBtu for interruptible transportation service performed under Section 311 of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978. The filing was made to comply with the Commission's April 30, 1998, Order Issuing Certificate and Authorizing Transportation in Docket No. CP98-249-000 (Florida Gas Transmission Company (Florida Gas) at 83 FERC ¶ 61,101).

Bay Gas states that its primary function is gas storage service, and that its storage facilities have about 3.2 Bcf of capacity (2.1 Bcf of working gas) with maximum daily withdrawal and injection rates of about 260,000 Mcf/day and about 40,000 Mcf/day, respectively. Bay Gas states that it also operates a 20-inch-diameter pipeline that runs south from its McIntosh storage site, and interconnects with two interstate pipelines—Florida Gas (between McIntosh and Axis, Alabama) and Koch Gateway Pipeline Company (at Axis). According to Bay Gas, the pipeline also interconnects with its local distribution company affiliate, Mobile Gas Service Corporation (at Axis).

Pursuant to Section 284.123(b)((2)(ii), if the Commission does not act within 150 days of the filing date, the proposed rate for transportation service will be deemed fair and equitable. The Commission may, prior to the expiration of the 150-day period, extend the time for action or institute a proceeding to afford parties an opportunity for written comments and for the oral presentations of views, data, and arguments.

Any person desiring to participate in this rate proceeding must file a motion to intervene in accordance with Sections 385.211 and 384.214 of the Commission's Rules of Practices and Procedures. All motions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission on or before December 24, 1998. The petition for rate approval is on file with

the Commission and is available for public inspection.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. SA99-7-000]****Charlotte Hill Gas Company; Notice of
Petition for Adjustment**

December 9, 1998.

Take notice that on November 20, 1998, Charlotte Hill Gas Company (CHG), filed a petition for adjustment, pursuant to section 502(c) of the Natural Gas Policy Act of 1978 (NGPA), for relief from paying approximately \$48,418.29 in Kansas ad valorem tax refunds to Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, under the Commission's September 10, 1997 order in Docket No. RP97-369-000, *et al.* [80 FERC ¶ 61,264 (1997); rehearing denied, 82 FERC ¶ 61,058 (1998)]. The September 10 order directed First Sellers under the NGPA to make Kansas ad valorem tax refunds, with interest, for the period from 1983 to 1988. CHG's petition is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

CHG's attorney states that CHG was a corporation, that CHG no longer exists, and that CHG's assets were distributed to the corporation's former shareholders. CHG's attorney further states that these former shareholders are elderly, in ill health, and have no assets to pay the sums required under the Commission's September 10 order. CHG's attorney also asserts that the payment of the refunds would leave the former shareholders destitute. CHG's attorney contends that refund relief should be granted to CHG (i.e., CHG's former shareholders) on the grounds: (1) that the former shareholder would suffer a special hardship if required to make the subject refunds; and (2) that it would be inequitable to require the former shareholders to make the subject refunds.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said petition should on or before 15 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this notice, file with the Federal Energy regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and

Procedure (18 CFR 385.214, 385.211, 385.1105, and 385.1106). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's rules.

Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,*Acting Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission****[Docket No. CP99-96-000]****CNG Transmission Corporation; Notice
of Application**

December 9, 1998.

Take notice that on December 2, 1998, CNG Transmission Corporation (CNG), 445 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301, filed in Docket No. CP99-96-000, an application pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Natural Gas Act (NGA) and Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations, for a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing CNG to construct, abandon, and operate certain facilities at CNG's North Summit Storage Complex facility in Fayette County, Pennsylvania in order to facilitate the recovery of injected gas that has migrated to an undeveloped portion in the southern end of the North Summit Storage Pool, all as more fully set forth in the application which is on file with the Commission and open to public inspection.

Specifically, CNG proposes to: (1) Convert existing observation well, UW-204, to a storage well; (2) convert existing observation well, UW-207, to a storage well; (3) abandon 1,959 feet of 6-inch diameter pipeline and construct 1,959 feet of 8-inch diameter pipeline, Line No. UP-1; (4) install Line No. UP-24 consisting of 12,552 feet of 8-inch diameter pipeline with appurtenant facilities and; (5) install Line No. UP-25 consisting of 3,554 feet of 8-inch diameter pipeline with appurtenant facilities. CNG estimates that the proposed facilities will cost \$2,000,000.

CNG states that the proposed facilities will allow CNG to operate the North Summit Storage Complex more effectively and efficiently. More specifically, CNG states that the operation of UW-204 and UW-207 as